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C O N F I D E N T I A L BUCHAREST 2053

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PGOV, RO, LA, VM, CB
SUBJ: POSSIBLE CEAUSESCU VISIT TO INDOCHINA
REF: VIENTIANE 0385

1. LATEST INFORMATION AVAILABLE HERE IS THAT GOR IS NEGOTIATING WITH INDOCHINESE STATES OVER POSSIBILITY OF ADDING THEM TO ITINERARY OF CEAUSESCU TRIP TO PEKING AND PYONGYANG. THIS TRIP IS NOW BELIEVED DEFINITE F MR MAY--APPARENTLY FIRST HALF OF MONTH. THAT CEAUSESCU WOULD C SIT EITHER HANOI OR PHNOM PENH UNLESS HE CAN VISIT BOTH, IS MOST UNLIKELY. THIS NEED NOT MEAN, HOWEVER, THAT HE WOULD NOT VISIT LAOS ON HIS HOMEWARD JOURNEY. CEAUSESCU PAID FIVE-DAY VISIT TO NORTH VIET NAM IN JUNE, 1971 BUT HAS NEVER VISITED EITHER LAOS OR KAMPUCHEA.

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2. GOR, WHICH VIEWS WITH GENUINE CONCERN OUTBREAK OF ARMED CONFLICT BETWEEN SOVEREIGN STATES IN ANY SENSITIVE PART OF WORLD, IS PARTICULARLY DISTRESSED WHEN TWO OF ITS "SOCIALIST" CONFRERES COME BO BLOWS. GOR'S PRIVATE SYMPATHIES REPORTEDLY LIE WITH KAMPUCHEANS, BUT IT HAS BEEN CAREFUL TO MAINTAIN OFFICIAL NEUTRALITY. THERE WAS REPORT THAT VIETNAMESE DELEGATION TO RECENT CONFERENCE OF

COMMUNIST PARTY IDEALOGUES IN BUDAPEST WAS DISTINCTLY
COOL TOWARD ROMANIANS FROM BEGINNING AND THAT LATTER
WERE OPPOSED TO CONFERENCE TAKING POSITION ON VIETNAMESE-
KAMPUCHEAN HOSTILITIES. HOW THIS WOULD EFFECT HANOI'S
ATTITUDE ON CEAUSESCU VISIT WE DO NOT VENTURE TO GUESS.
CEAUSESCU WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY LIKE TO MAKE A POSITIVE CON-
TRIBUTION TOWARD SETTLEMENT, BUT HE IS NOT TYPE TO RUSH
IN WHERE ANGELS FEAR TO TREAD AND, WITHOUT AT LEAST
TACIT CONCURRENCE OF MOSCOW AND PEKING TO OFFER HIM SOME
HOPE FOR POSITIVE RESULTS WITHOUT GETTING CAUGHT IN MIDDLE,
HE WOULD PROBABLY FOREGO DIRECT PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT, AT
LEAST IN SO OVERT A FORM AS OFFICIAL VISITS.
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